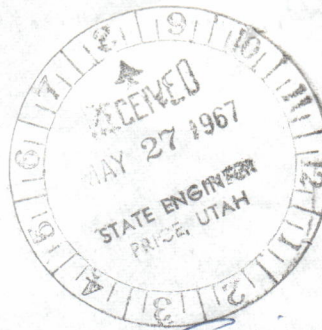


Mr. Blaine Poulson, President,  
Salina Creek Irrigation Company,  
Redmond, Utah.

Dear Mr. Poulson,



Delta, Utah  
May 26, 1967

*SEVIER RIVER*

Last Wednesday, May 24, I measured 57 cfs in the main Irrigation Company Diversion. There was no water through the parshall flume at the head of the diversion to the Murphy Ditch, however, the Murphy Ditch was full and diverting from the creek a short distance up stream. I estimated 6 cfs at the end of this ditch just South of Salina. I adjusted the flow at the main diversion down to 46 cfs which with the 6 cfs across the creek would be your full rights with some allowance made because of fluctuating flow.

I gave your watermaster, Mr. Ted Sheppard, the results of my measurement and regulation to enable him to make any further adjustments necessary. Mr. Sheppard indicated that he did not know of any water being diverted to the Murphy Ditch. I believe that this is of immediate concern to the Salina Creek Irrigation Company and myself. Mr. Sheppard should have control of all diversions to properly distribute the water within your system and to enable us to determine the total amount the Irrigation Company is diverting.

In my opinion, the Murphy Ditch Diversion from the creek, as opposed to the canal, is inadequate because of inaccessibility and no measuring structure that I could locate. If this point of diversion is going to continue to be used at anytime, I will require that a measuring device be installed and a means to provide regulation be constructed for the use of your watermaster and myself. These users should be cautioned that deliberate, excess diversions will be paid back by decreasing future diversions.

I would like to state that Mr. Sheppard has been very cooperative and done an excellent job. These fluctuating streams are difficult to manage and my efforts will be to help Mr. Sheppard deliver to the users no less than their full rights in an even a flow as possible.

I would appreciate any suggestions you might have.

Sincerely

ROGER WALKER  
Sevier River Water Commissioner  
Delta, RFD, Utah 84624

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